WEB Sites

In our efforts to assist the public as quickly as possible, we would like to take this opportunity to introduce you to some of the websites that you can access to acquire information on water rights and well logs.

Water Rights in our region can be found by going to: http://dnrc.state.mt.us

The right side of the screen lists the Department of Natural Resources and Conservation divisions. Choose the **Water Resources** division.

Now you are on the Water Resources division home page. (You may request water right application **Forms** here if you need them). On the left side of the site is the heading 'Division Information'. Choose the **Water Rights** heading.

Next, under the heading 'Water Right Reports', choose the option titled **NRIS – Water Right Query System**.

Choose the **County**, enter the water right **owner** name or the **stream** name you are interested in, and submit. (Hint: Don't get TOO specific) Select how to sort the report and submit. A list of water rights matching your criteria will display. A general abstract of the water right can be printed by clicking on the blue water right number on the left side of the page. If you are unable to locate the specific water right you are interested in, use the NRIS GIS website to search for the water right by geographic location.

Well Logs can be found by going to: http://dnrc.state.mt.us

Then choose the **Water Resources** division, go to **Water Rights**, and beneath the water right reports heading hi-lite **Well Log Data from GWIC**. At this time you must login to the GWIC site. It will ask for your user name. There is no charge for this service, GWIC just wants to know who is using their site and how often. Enter your User Name, then for *Data Use* pick **Determine Drilling Depths**. Sign in to the system, then enter the location of the well (township, range, section). It will show all the wells in that section. Locate the one you are interested in and double-click on it. The well log will appear on the screen, and can be printed out.